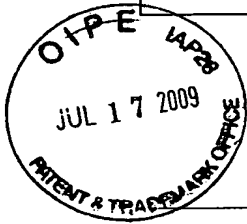


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AMENDMENT

Dear Madam:

In response to the Official Action mailed February 11, 2009, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.